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PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)

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Dear Sir:

This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR § 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a response in the above identified application for one month from October 30, 2003 to November 30, 2003.

Applicant is a small entity under 37 CFR §§ 1.9 and 1.27. A small entity statement under 37 CFR § 1.27.

This is a request under the provision of 37 CFR § 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a response in the above-identified application for one month from October 30, 2003 to November 30, 2003. A request for an extension of time from August 30, 2003 to September 30, 2003 on September 29, 2003; and a second request for extension of time from September 12/05/2003 GDUCKETT 00000001 260084 09883550 30, 2003 to October 30, 2003 was previously filed with the Substitute Amendment After 55.00 DA

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A petition for an extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136(a) is enclosed.

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